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# ABSTRACT

↙ This report contains propellant test results from cartons of TP-H1043 propellant representing selected batches used in the aft closure of First Stage Minuteman Motors. Data from TP-H1043 propellant obtained from the aft closures of the LGM-30 A, B, F and G Motors are reported in regression analyses for the fifth time and the fourth time using the G085 computer system. Testing was accomplished in accordance with MMWRME Project M82934C.

An analysis of all parameters indicate that no significant degradation is anticipated for at least two years past the oldest data point.

Each point on the regression plot represents all samples at that particular age. The number of samples at each point is indicated on the sample size summary sheet on the page accompanying each regression plot. The data range at any age can be found by suitable inquiry of the G085 system.

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337	Propellant Surveillance Report (TP-H1043)	Feb 76

# GLOSSARY OF TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Aging Trend	A change in properties or performance resulting from aging of material or component
CSA	Cross Sectional Area
DB	Dogbone
Degradation	Gradual deterioration of properties or performance
E	Modulus (psi), defined as stress divided by strain along the initial linear portion of the curve
EB	End Bonded
EGL	Effective Gage Length
em	Strain at maximum stress
er	Strain at rupture
"F" ratio	The ratio of the variance accounted for by the regression function to the random unexplained variance. The regression function having the most significant "F" ratio is used for plotting data. The ratio is also used in detecting significant changes in random variation between succeeding time points.
JANNAF	Joint Army, Navy, NASA, Air Force Committee
MAGCP	Propellant Lab Section at OOAMA
OOAMA	Ogden Air Materiel Area, Air Force Logistics Command
Regression Equation	The general form of the regression equation is $Y = a + bx$
Regression Line	Line representing mean test values with respect to time
$S_b$	Standard error of estimate of the regression coefficient
$S_e$ or $S_{Y.X}$	Standard deviation of the data about the regression line



# GLOSSARY OF TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS (cont)

SM	Maximum Stress
Sr	Stress at rupture
Standard Deviation(S )	Square root of variance
Strain Rate	Crosshead speed divided by the EGL
"t" test	A statistical test used to detect significant differences between a measured parameter and an expected value of the parameter (determines if regression slope differs from zero at the 95% confidence level)
Variance	The sum of squares of deviations of the test results from the mean of the series after division by one less than the total number of test results
3 Sigma Band	The area between the upper and lower 3 sigma limit. It can be expected that 99.73% of the inventory represented by the test samples would fall within this range assuming that the population is normally distributed.
90-90 Band	It can be stated with 90% confidence that 90% of the inventory represented by the test samples would fall within this range assuming that the population is normally distributed.



SECTION I  
INTRODUCTION

A. PURPOSE:

Quality assurance tests have been conducted for 12 1/2 years on First Stage LGM-30 TP-H1043 aft closure propellant.

Statistical analysis of the tests performed, as directed by Engineering, should provide early warning if serious degradation trends occur. Evaluation of the propellant provides data that can be put directly into engineering reliability and service life predictions. Testing was performed in accordance with MMWRME Directive GTD-1C, Amendments 1 and 2.

B. BACKGROUND:

TP-H1043 propellant is used in the aft closure of LGM-30 A, B, F and G First Stage Motors.

This test period represents the fifth time that TP-H1043 propellant has been reported by regression analysis. This is also the fourth time that data has been processed utilizing the G085 System.

This report represents a large increase in the number of samples tested. Moreover, the age distribution increased to cover a 12 1/2 year time period (4 to 16 1/2 years).

The slope of the respective regressions for this report (Figures 1 thru 14) and the previous reports (1976 and 1977) are very close. The regression slopes of three successive test periods matched very well. This is probably due to the increased number of samples and the stabilizing of post cure chemical changes in the binder.

C. SAMPLING PLAN:

As many as four aft closures are cast from the one TP-H1043 propellant mix. In order to reduce the number of tests, only one batch from each mix will be tested to obtain uniform test results. The selected batches are from the same batch as those previously tested and reported in MAGCP Reports 185(70), 195(70), 239(72), 288(74) and 385(77).

Low rate tensile, high rate tensile and hardness tests were performed on each propellant batch mix.

D. STATISTICAL APPROACH:

Linear regression analysis was used as the method of data evaluation. Data from different time periods were used to establish a least squares trend line for the data. The variance about the regression line, obtained using individual values of the dependent variable, was used to compute a tolerance interval such that at the 90% confidence level, 90% of the sample distribution fall within this interval. This tolerance interval was extrapolated to a maximum of 24 months. The "t" values and the significance of this statistic, which are reported for each regression model, give an indication of the "statistical significance" of the slope of the trend line as compared to a line of zero slope.

Each point on the regression analysis is a calculation of all samples at that particular age. The number of samples at each point is indicated on the sample size summary sheet accompanying each regression plot. The data range at any age can be found by suitable inquiry of the G085 system.

## SECTION II

### TEST RESULTS

#### A. LOW RATE TENSILE:

All of the low rate test parameters show a statistically significant decrease (Figures 1 thru 5). The strain regressions (Figures 1 and 3) show a very gradual decrease. Regression slopes for stresses and modulus (Figures 2, 4 and 5) show a change with respect to time. This change is less than in the previous report. Although all of the regression trends show a decrease, the propellant still shows good stability and from this analysis the propellant will perform satisfactorily for at least two years beyond the last data point.

#### B. HIGH RATE TENSILE:

The strains and maximum stress regressions show a statistically significant decrease. The stress at rupture shows no significant change. The modulus shows a statistically significant increase (Figures 6 thru 10). For those regressions showing a statistically significant change, the slopes are gradual.

#### C. HARDNESS:

Shore A initial hardness test data regressions shows no significant change while the ten second regression shows a statistically significant gradual increase (Figures 11 and 12). The Shore C regressions show a statistically significant decrease (Figures 13 and 14).

### SECTION III

#### CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The slopes of the regressions are gradual and close to a line of zero slope. From this analysis, no significant degradation seems likely and the propellant service life may be extended for at least two years beyond the date of the last testing.

It is recommended that testing be continued to assure service life extension and confirm the present trend.



\*\*\* SAMPLE SIZE SUMMARY \*\*\*

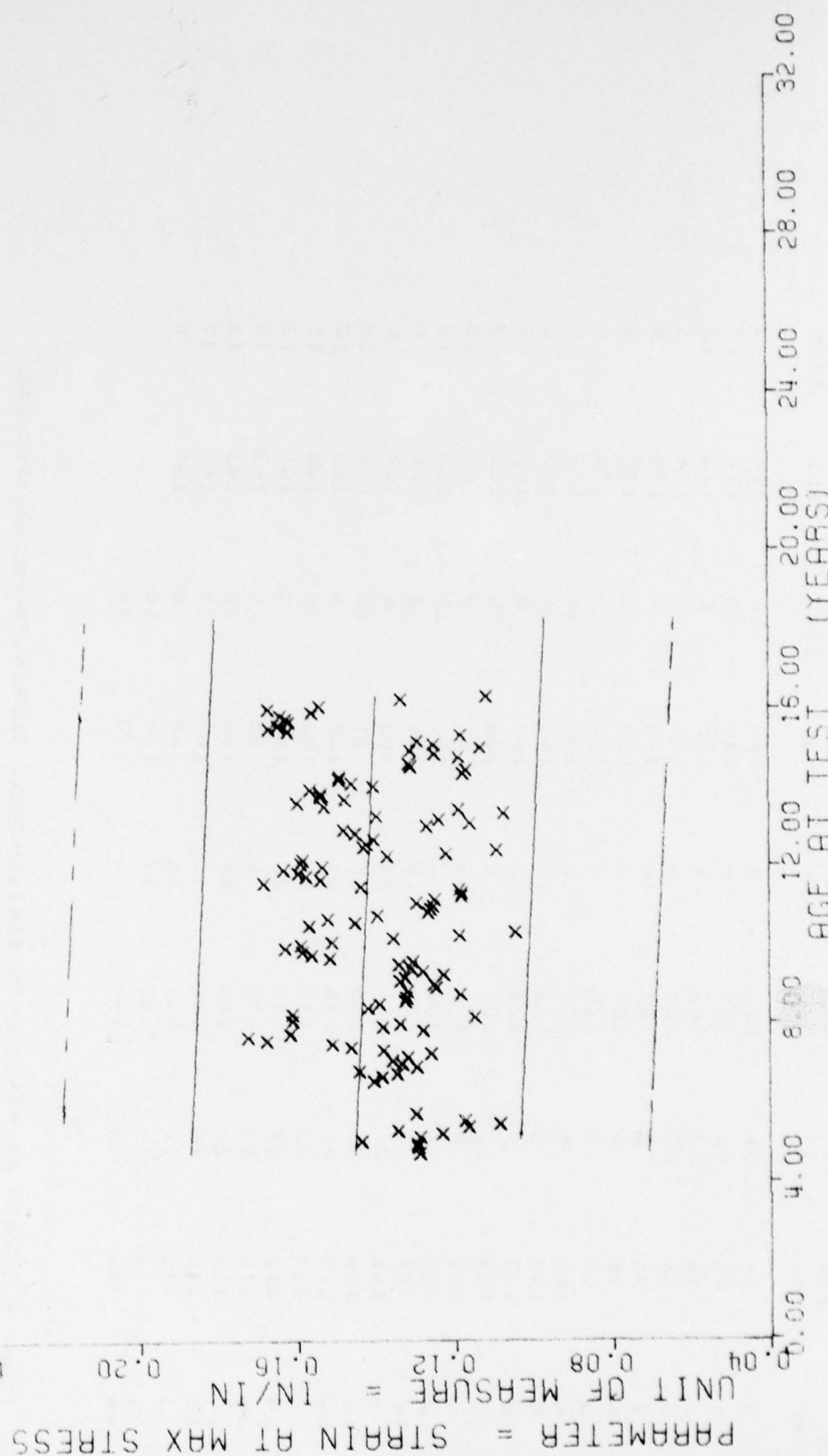
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88	30	114	26	140	12	166	12	193	13
89	56	115	15	141	12	167	17	195	17
90	67	116	12	142	12	168	9	196	9
91	151	117	5	143	17	169	10		
92	144	118	23	144	9	170	12		

TENSILE STRAIN AT MAX STRESS (EM), CHS=2.0 IN/MIN, TP-H1043, WING 266

This sample size summary is applicable to figures 1 thru 5



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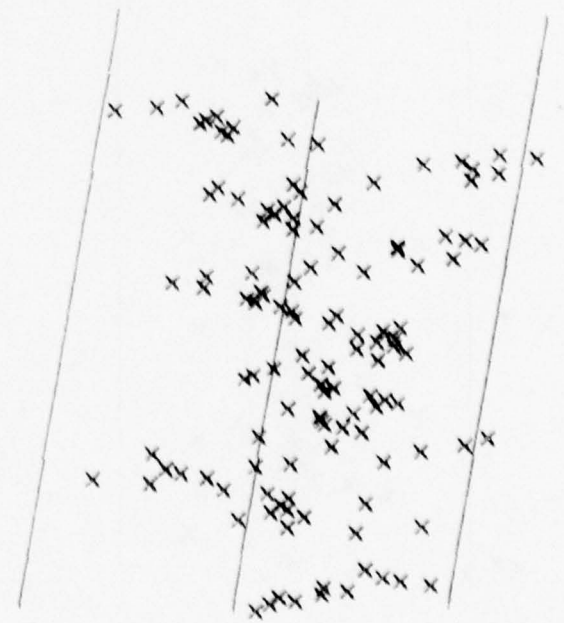


TENSILE STRAIN AT MAX STRESS (EM), CHS=2.0 IN/MIN, TP-H1043, WING 2&6

Figure 1

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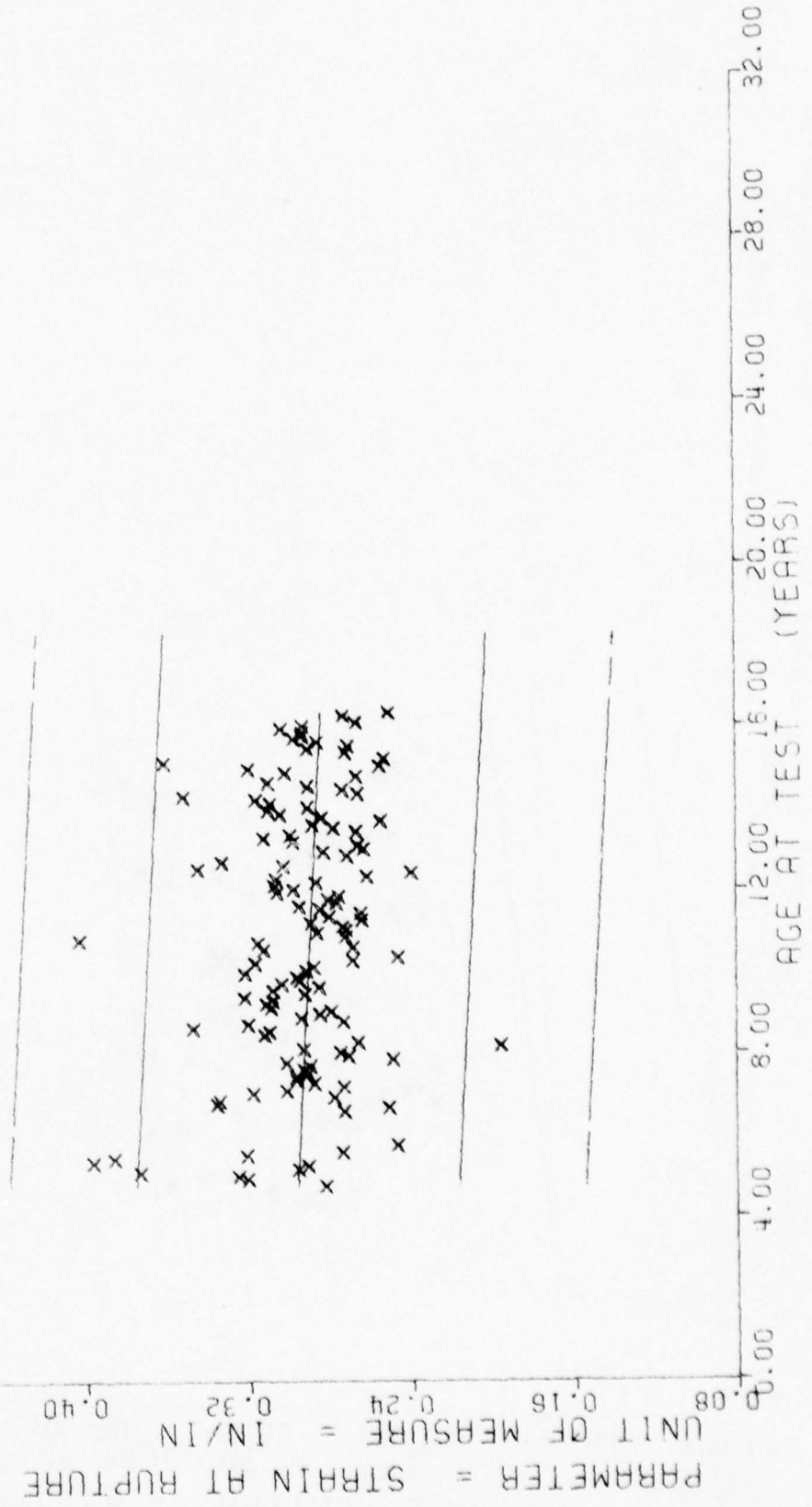
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 AGE AT TEST (YEARS)



TENSILE MAXIMUM STRESS, CHS-2.0 IN/MIN, TP-H1043, WINGS 2 & 6

Figure 2

$Y = ((+3.0074709E-01) + (-9.0614671E-05) \times X)$   
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TENSILE STRAIN AT RUPTURE (ER), CHS=2.0 IN/MIN, TP-H1043, WINGS 2 & 6

Figure 3

$F = +1.9652018E+01$   
 $R = -9.8839729E-02$   
 $t = +4.4330597E+00$   
 $N = 1994$   
 $Y = (( +1.4978493E+02 ) + (-1.1606704E-01 ) * X)$   
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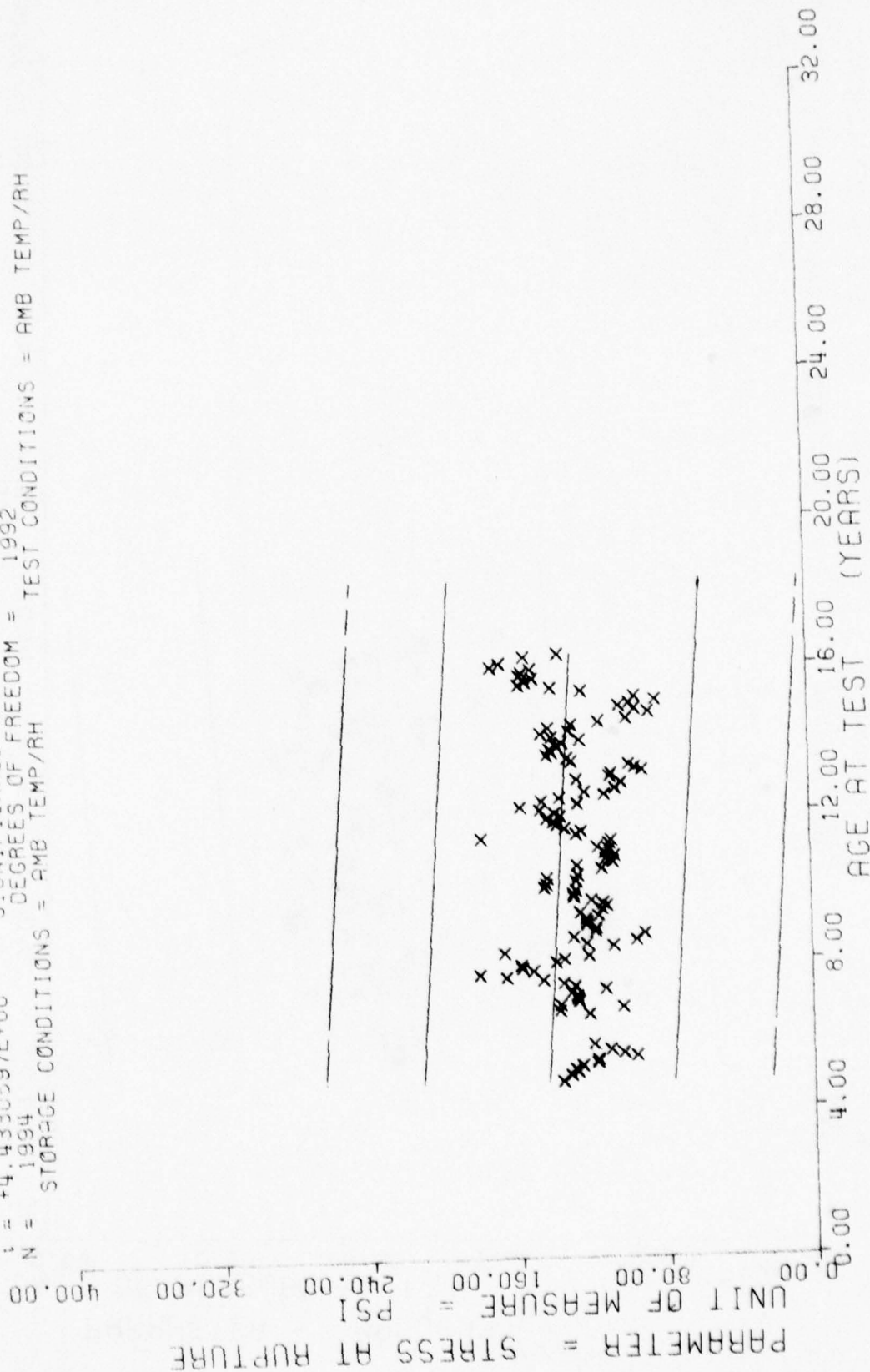
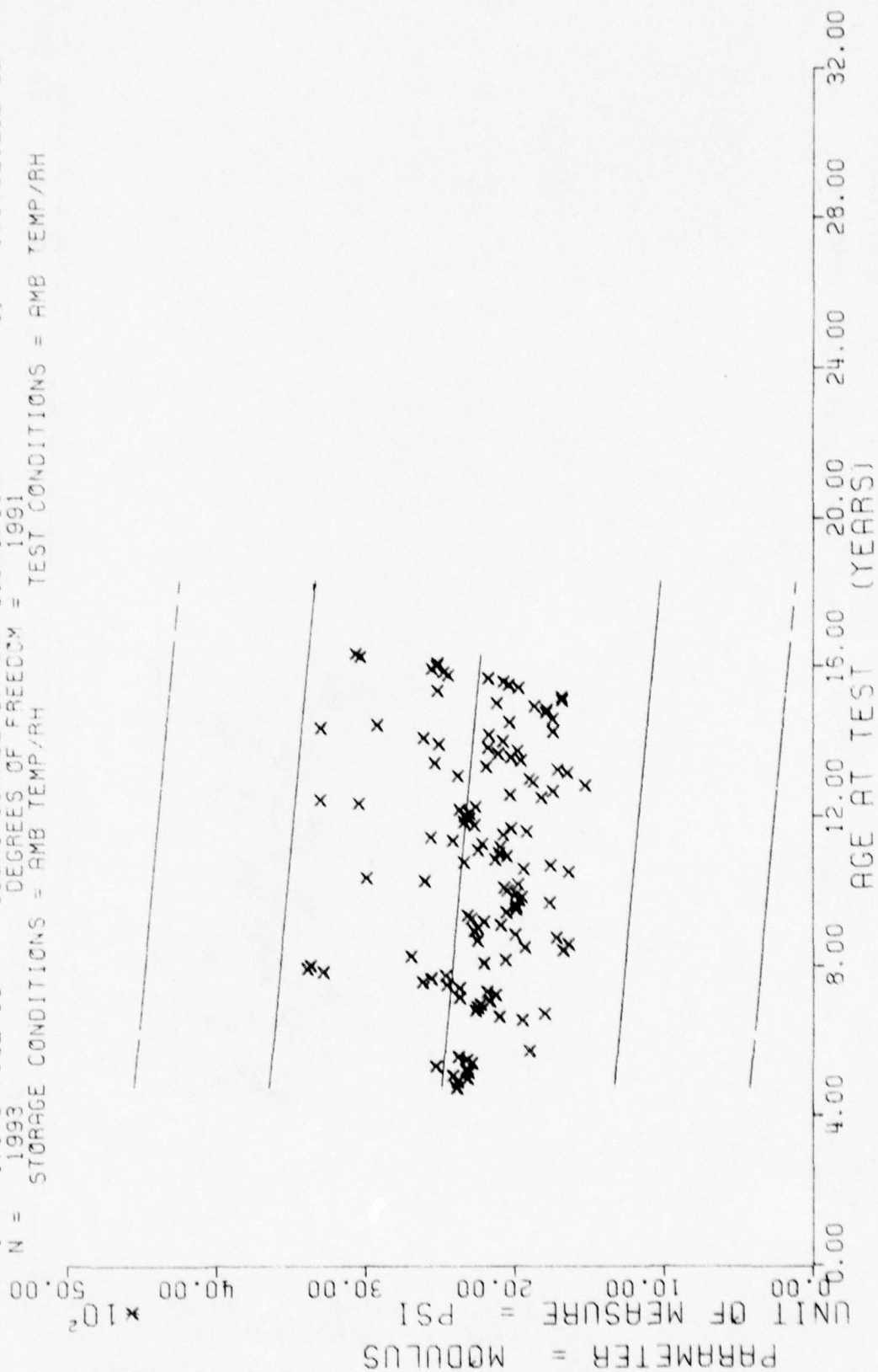


Figure 4



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 R = -9.3199067E-02 SIGNIFICANCE OF R = SIGNIFICANT  $S_1 = +4.4825894E-01$   
 t = +4.1767798E+00 SIGNIFICANCE OF t = SIGNIFICANT  $S_2 = +5.8782129E+02$   
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 STORAGE CONDITIONS = AMB TEMP/RH TEST CONDITIONS = AMB TEMP/RH



TENSILE MODULUS (E), CHS=2.0 IN/MIN, TP-H1043, WINGS 2 & 6

Figure 5





$F = +3.3558682E+01$  SIGNIFICANCE OF F =  $(-9.9585191E-05) \times X$   $G_1 = +2.5480186E-02$   
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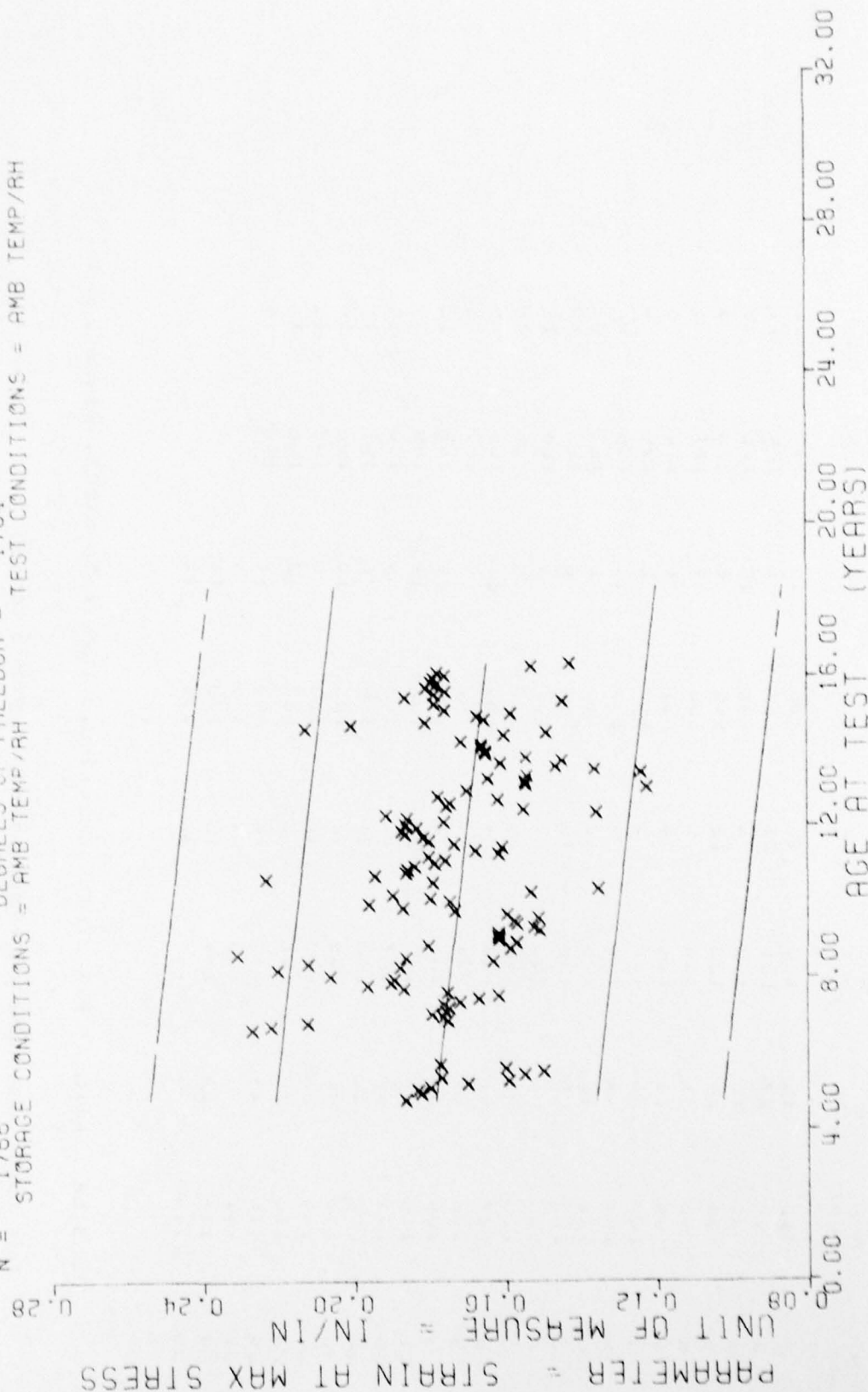
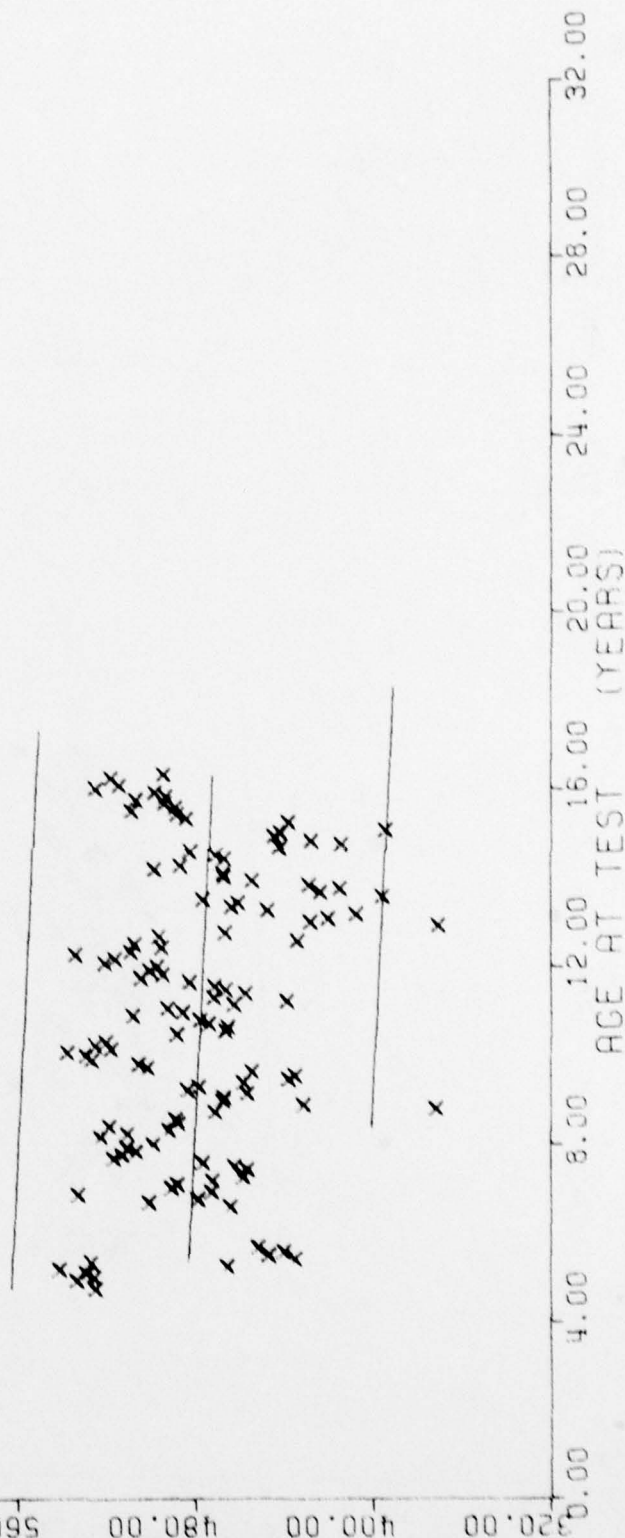


Figure 6

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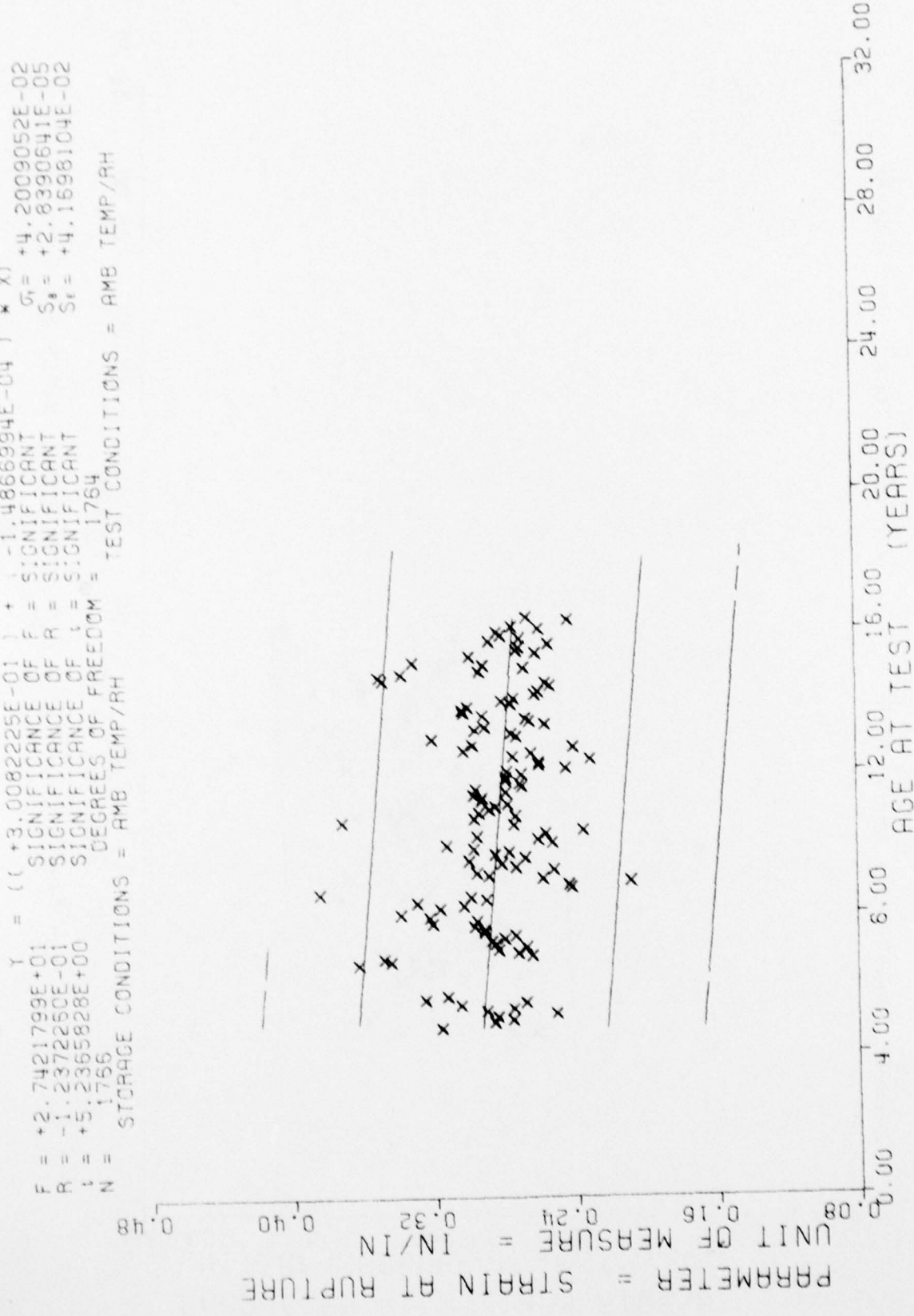
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TENSILE MAXIMUM STRESS, CHS=1750.0 IN/MIN, TP-H1043, WINGS 2 & 6

Figure 7

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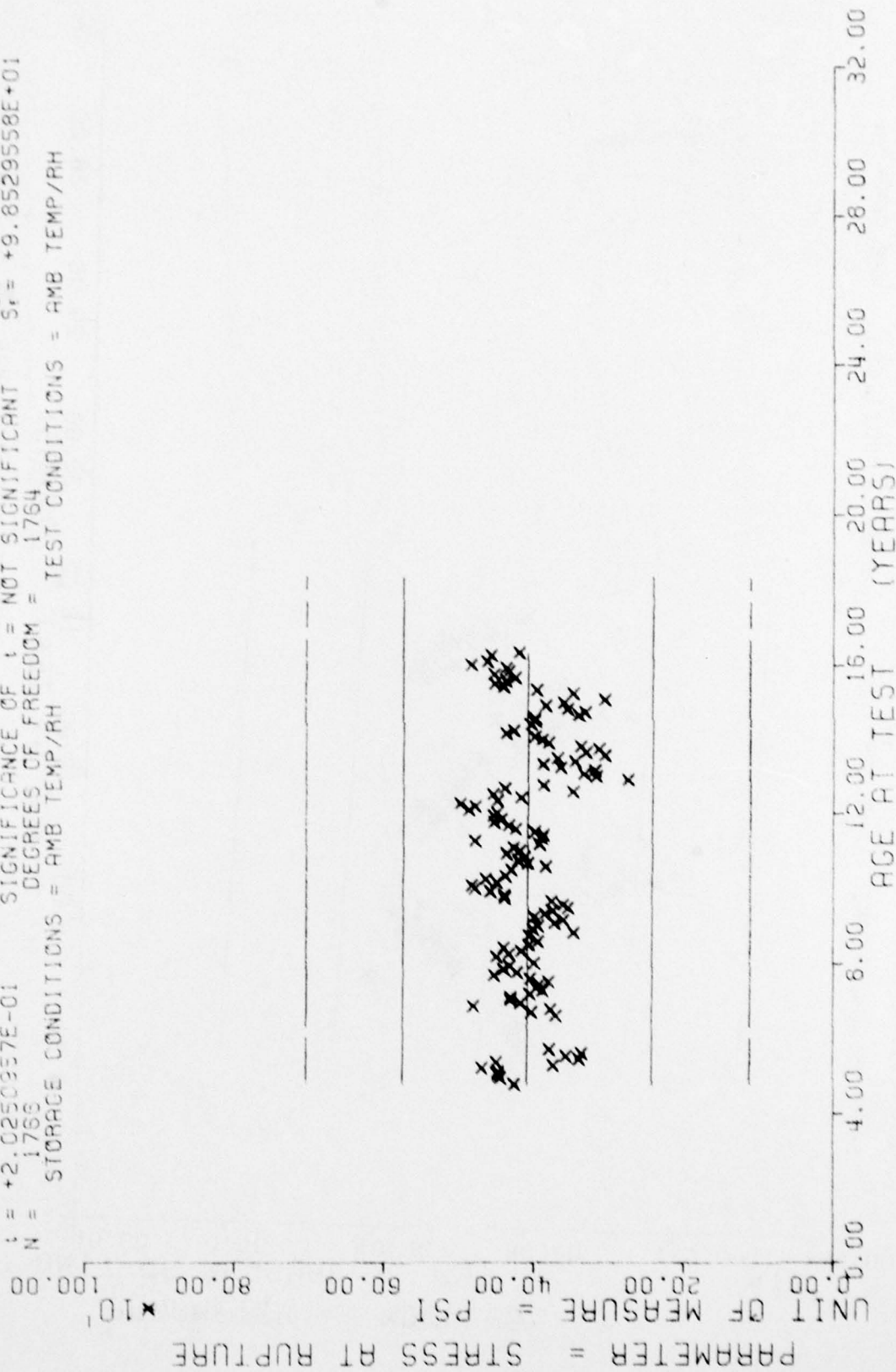


TENSILE STRAIN AT RUPTURE, CHS=1750.0 IN/MIN, TP-H1043, WINGS 2 & 6

Figure 8



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 N = 1766 DEGREES OF FREEDOM = 1764  
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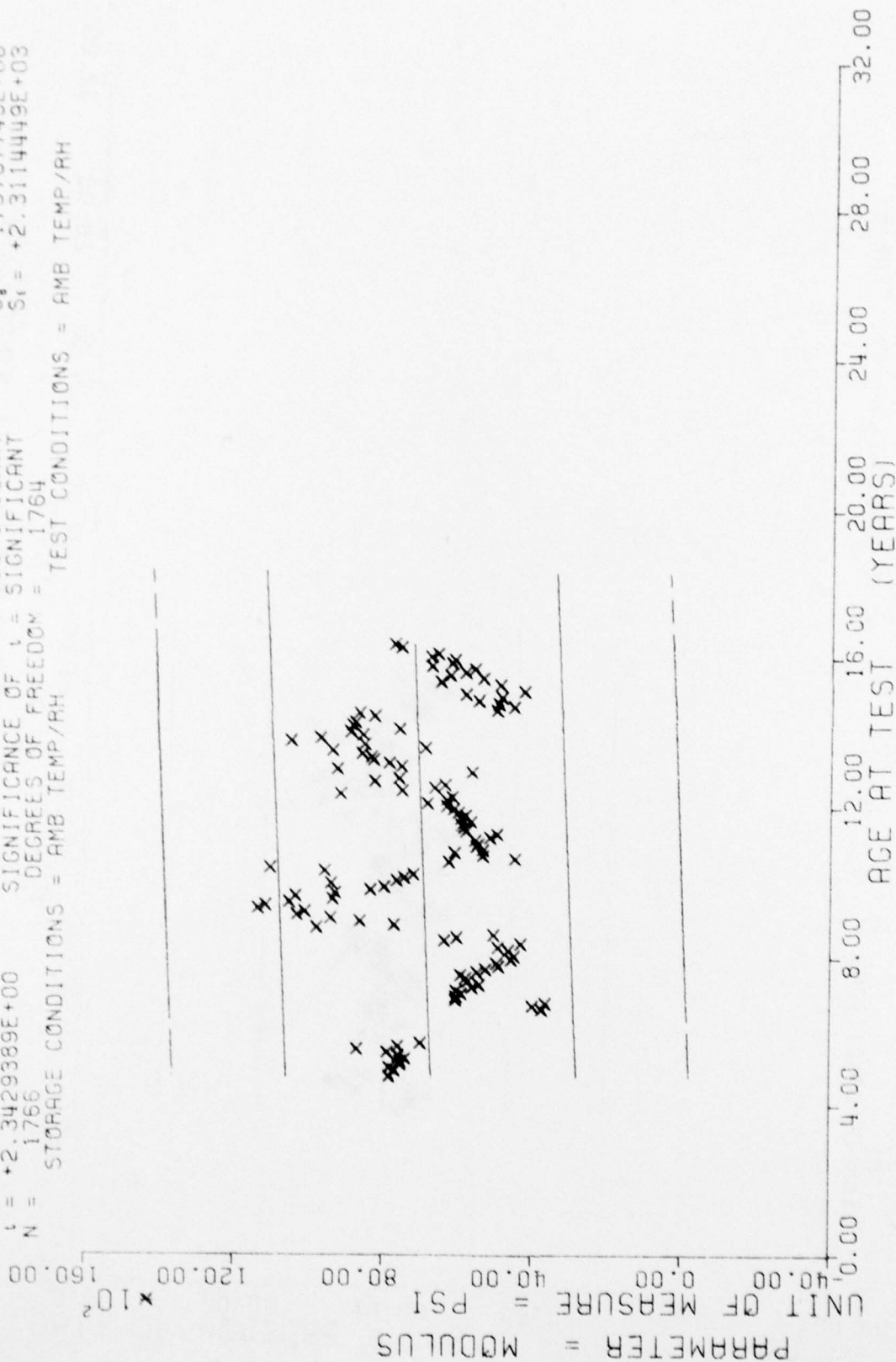


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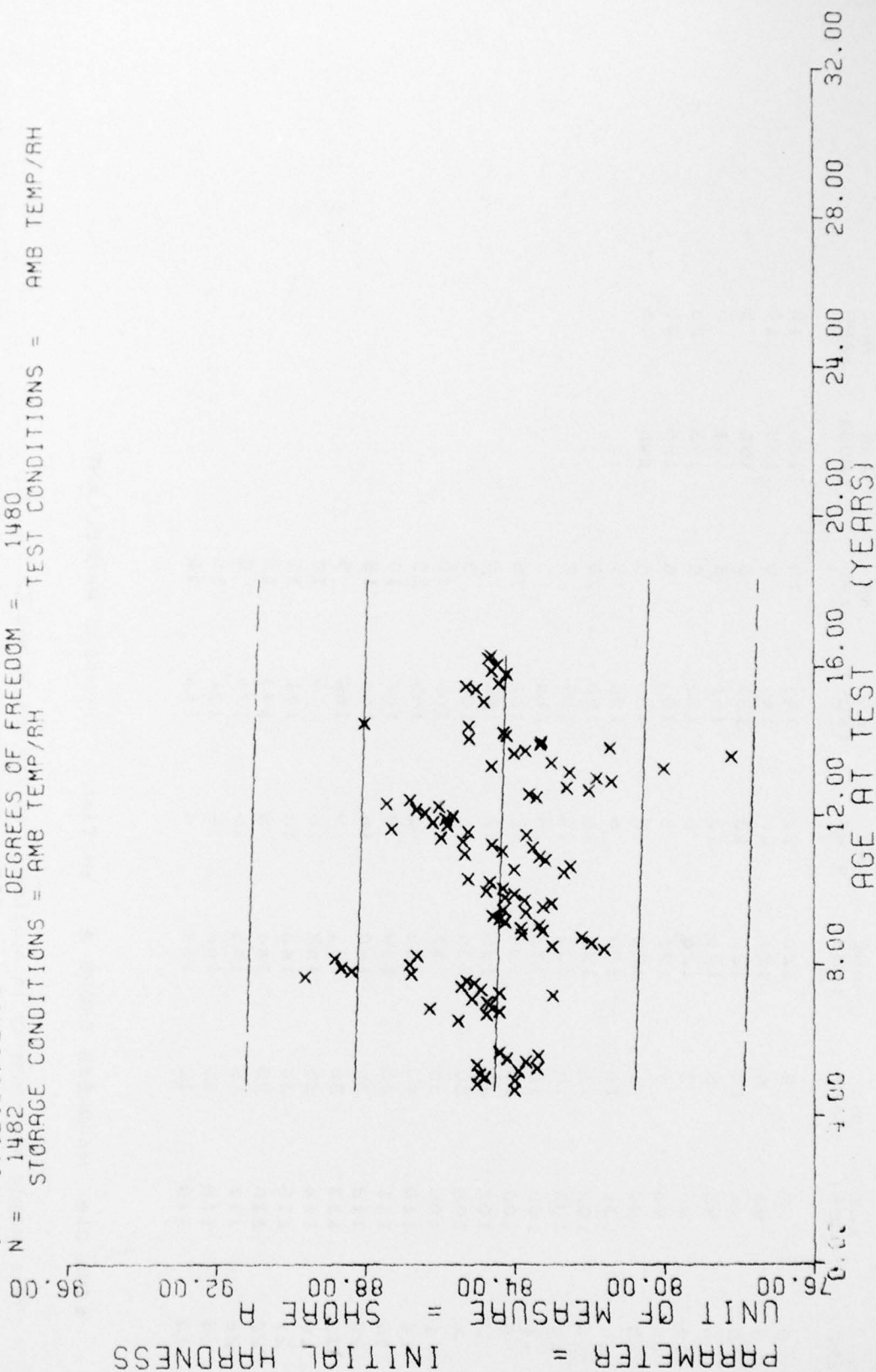
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89	28	117	15	145	16	174	5
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WING 266 HARDNESS SHORE A INITIAL TP-H1043 PROPELLANT

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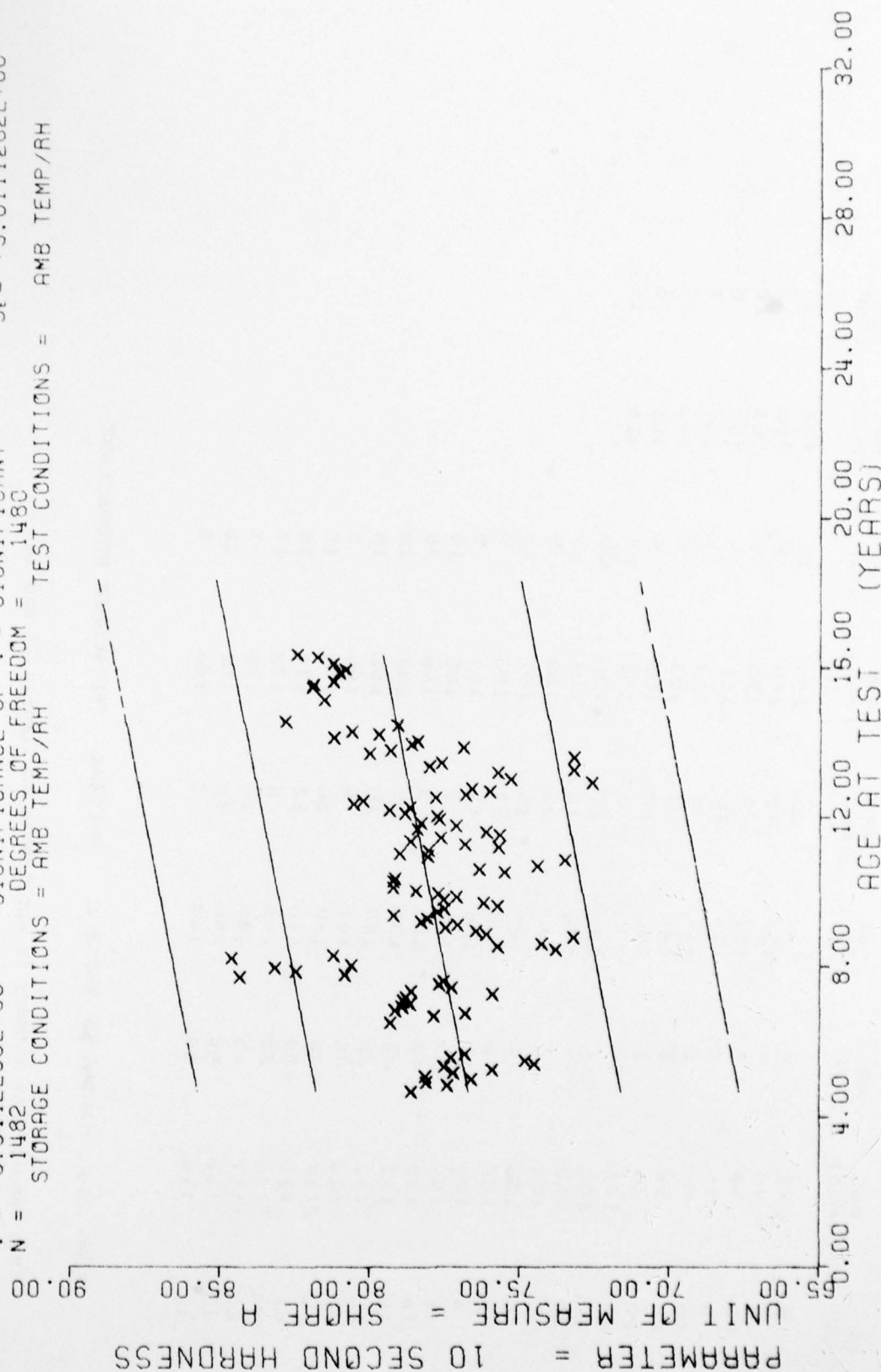
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WING 246 HARDNESS SHORE A INITIAL TP-H1043 PROPELLANT

Figure 11

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WING 245 HARDNESS SHORE A 10 SECOND TP-H1043 PROPELLANT

Figure 12



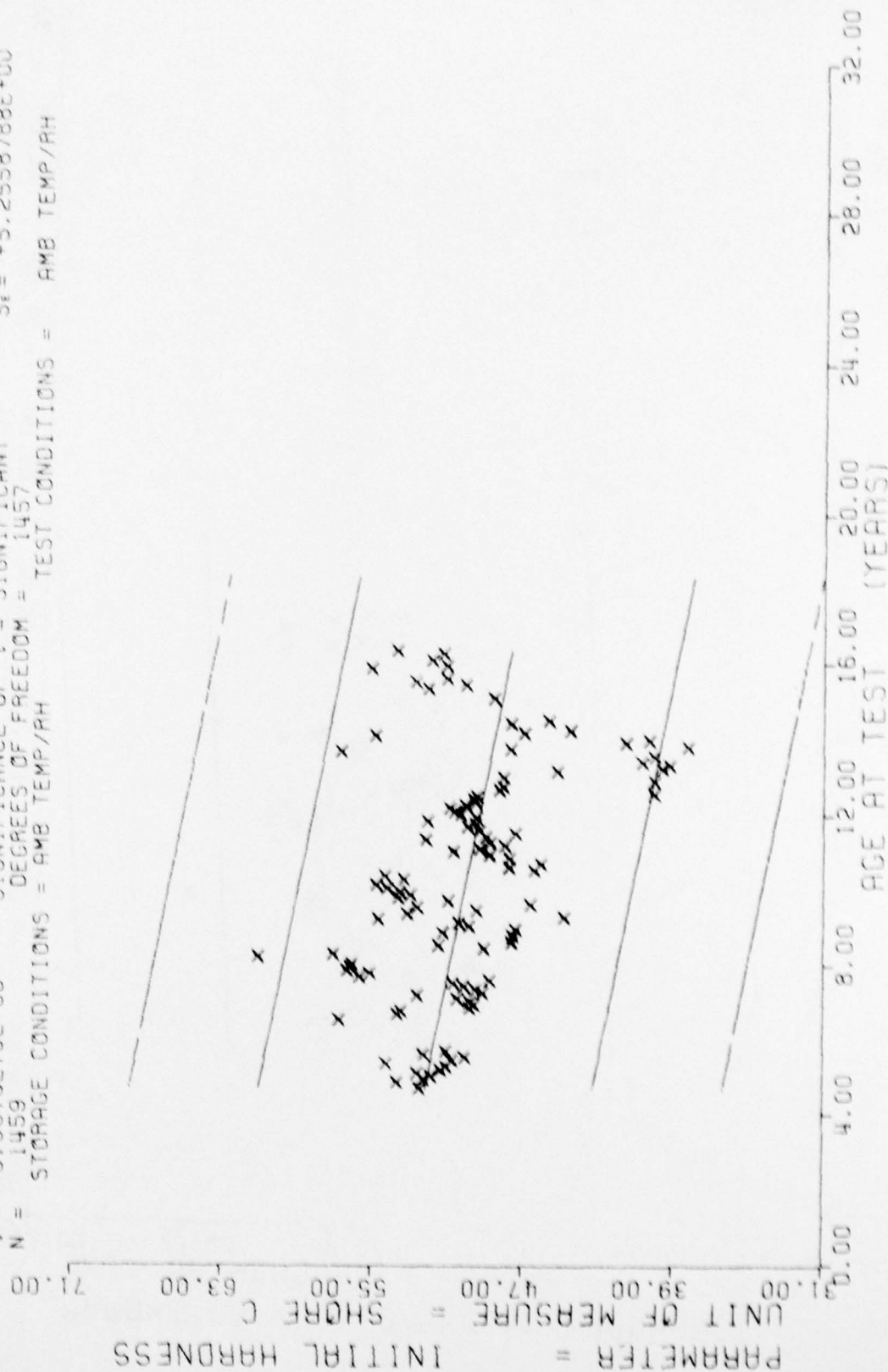
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86	19	114	35	142	18	170	10		
87	21	115	30	143	12	171	15		
88	22	116	20	144	8	173	10		
89	25	117	15	145	10	174	5		
90	13	118	40	146	18	181	10		
91	11	119	10	147	3	184	5		

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This sample size summary is applicable to figures 13 and 14

$Y = ((+5.3892796E+01) + (-3.2222892E-02) * X)$   
 $F = +5.5089847E+01$  SIGNIFICANCE OF F = SIGNIFICANT  
 $R = -2.0679330E-01$  SIGNIFICANCE OF R = SIGNIFICANT  
 $t = +8.0678279E+00$  SIGNIFICANCE OF t = SIGNIFICANT  
 $N = 1459$  DEGREES OF FREEDOM = 1457  
 STORAGE CONDITIONS = AMB TEMP/RH TEST CONDITIONS = AMB TEMP/RH



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Figure 13

$Y = ((+3.5333445E+01) + (-7.8588042E-03) * X)$   
 $F = +7.5302697E+00$  SIGNIFICANCE OF F = SIGNIFICANT  
 $R = -7.1706098E-02$  SIGNIFICANCE OF R = SIGNIFICANT  
 $t = +2.7441337E+00$  SIGNIFICANCE OF t = SIGNIFICANT  
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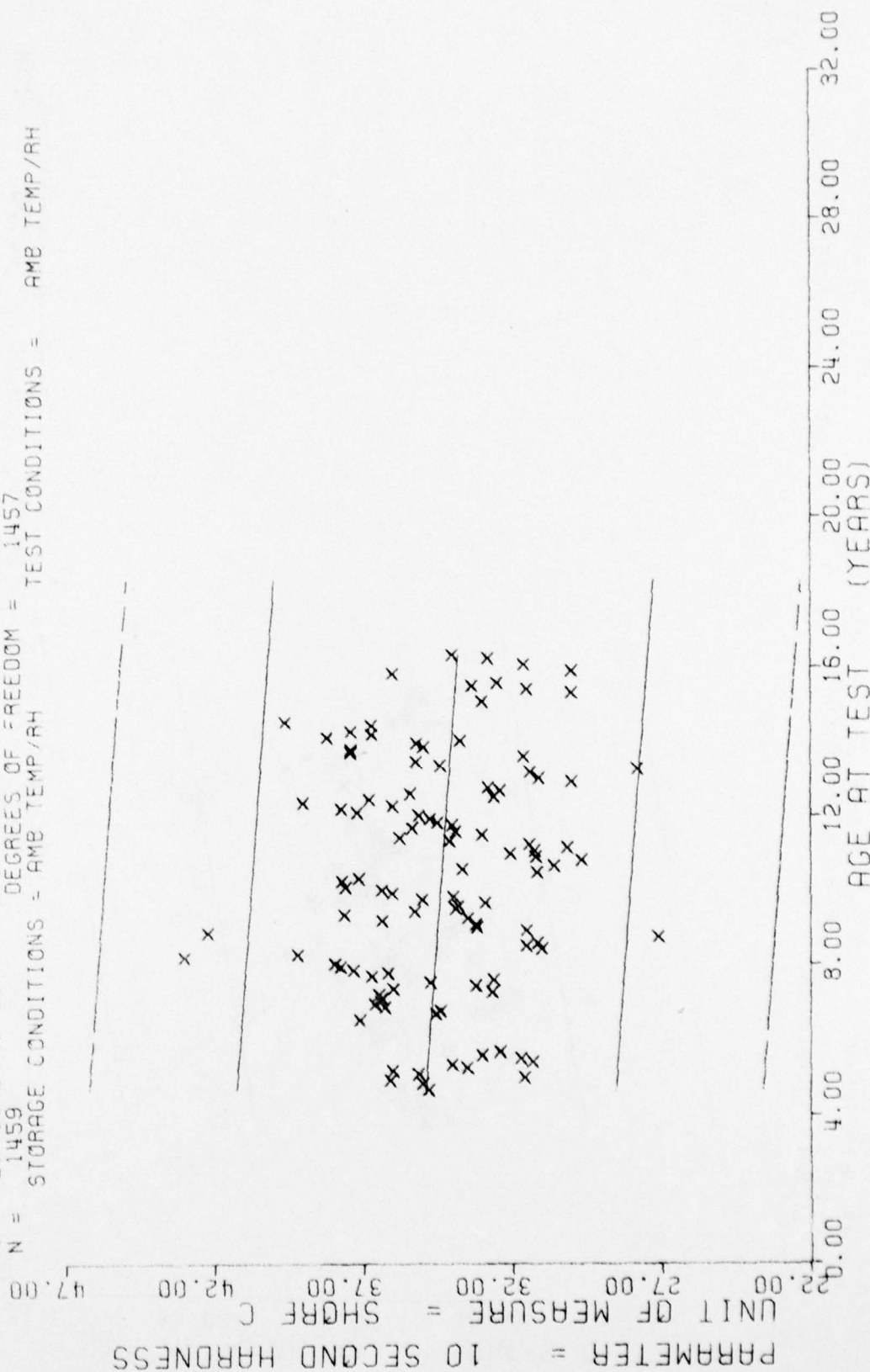


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